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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated September 1, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 1, 2005.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1 - 16, drawn to identifying a component or set of components for an assembled product, classified in class 705, subclass 7, with traverse.

In view of the election herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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